

One Hundredth  
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**Immanuel Lutheran Church**

**Lost Prairie, Illinois**

**1867 - 1967**

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## *Historical Sketch And Souvenir*

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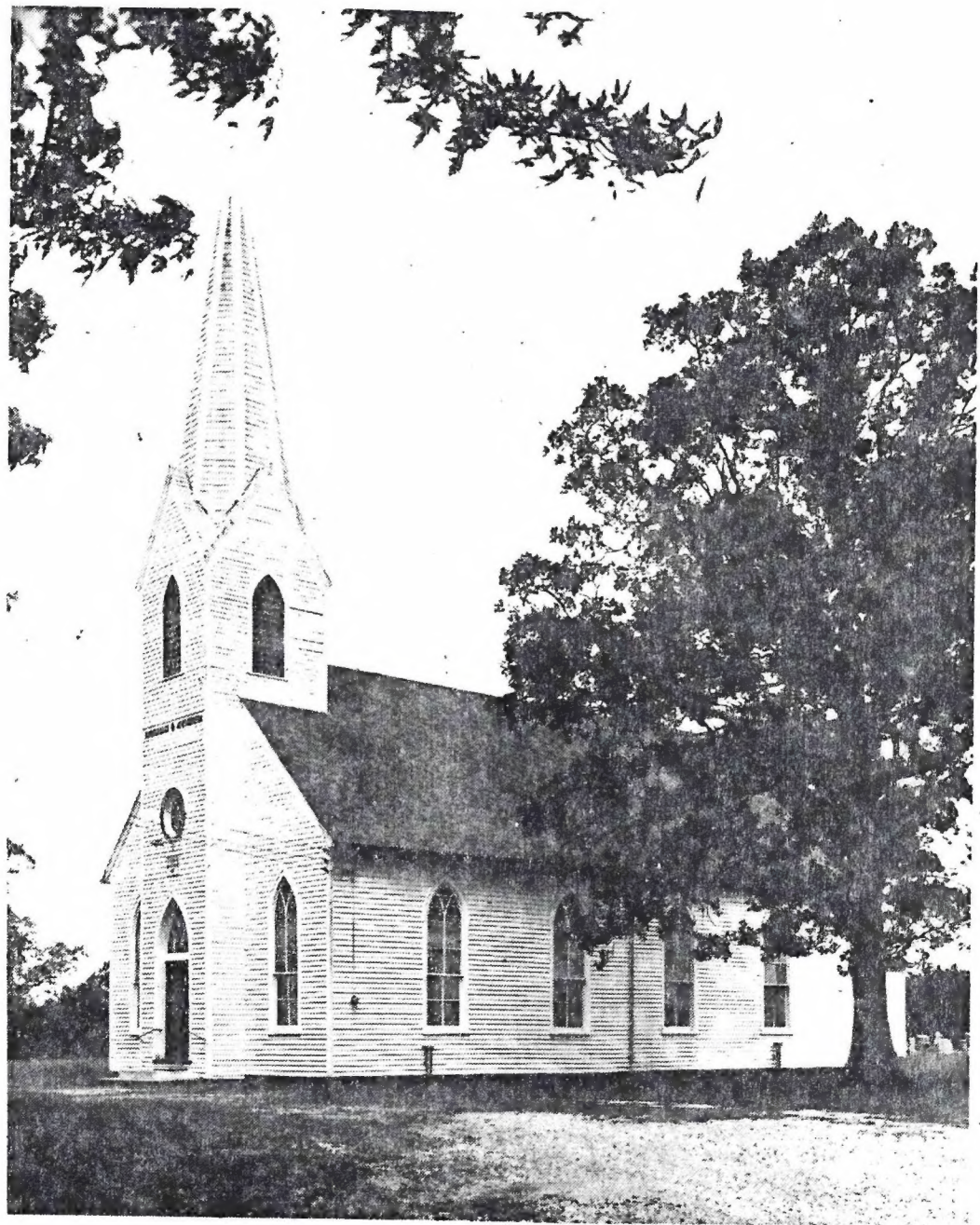
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And Pastor Heidel*





IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 1967



## A BRIEF HISTORY OF IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, LOST PRAIRIE, ILLINOIS

The story of Immanuel Lutheran Congregation is the story of a dream that became a reality. During the latter half of the nineteenth century, German immigrants yearning for freedom and good soil settled the fertile plains of southern Illinois. The heart of many a pioneer found peace in land and liberty, but others were restless with a vision which could be fulfilled only in the deep freedom of communion with God in worship.

By 1861 a number of Lutheran families had settled in the area known as Lost Prairie, Illinois. Having neither church nor pastor of their own, these Christians received both Word and Sacrament through the ministration of the Rev. H. C. Evers of Wine Hill and worshiped in a Baptist Church and a public school which were in the vicinity. When Pastor Evers accepted a call to Michigan, the Rev. John Doermann of Randolph assumed the pastoral duties. Pastor Doermann urged the Lutherans to organize a Christian congregation, and on March 18, 1867 Philip Kraeft, G. Beck, Sr., J. G. Beck, Jr., Peter Denninger, A. Denninger, Jacob Wildermuth and John Bauersachs signed the new constitution which Pastor Doermann had written. Immanuel Lutheran Church had come into being!

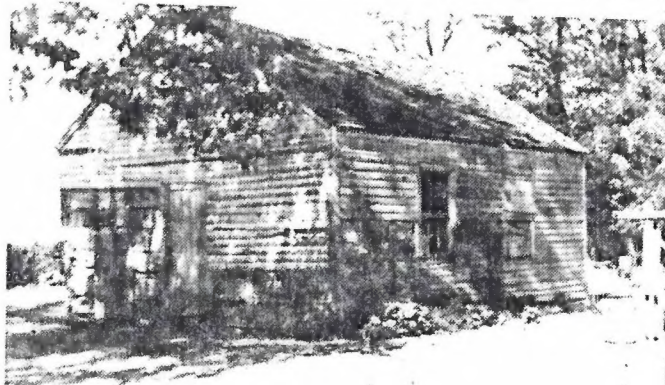
A new era had begun, and now there was work to do. Philip Kraeft gave two acres of ground to the congregation for one dollar, and the members made plans for building a house of worship. They worked through the summer and fall and on into the winter,

and on January 12, 1868 they dedicated to the glory of God a new church which had cost them long hours of hard labor and \$1256.20. Three years later, in the fall of 1871, the people erected a parsonage.



REV. THOMAS SCHOECH

At long last the time had come when the congregation could call a pastor of its own and hold services regularly. Thomas Schoech, who had preached for



FIRST SCHOOL, BUILT IN 1873

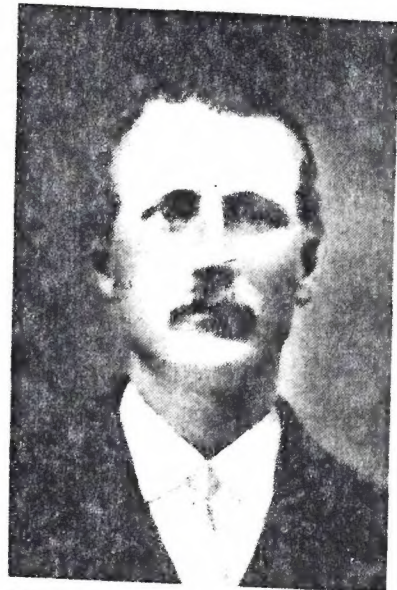
the congregation several times while still a student at the Seminary, received the call. On July 29, 1872, Pastor Doermann ordained and installed the young man as first resident pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Pastor Schoech's ministry was significant in many ways. In 1873 the congregation erected a log school building on a tract of land which they had purchased from the Galum Baptist Church and began holding classes. That same year Pastor Schoech attended the convention of the Missouri Synod, and in 1874 Immanuel congregation became a member of that Synod. Mission work was as important as education, and slowly the membership grew until it reached thirty-two. The congregation raised the pastor's salary from \$300 to \$350 per year in 1874.



REV. C. W. R. FREDERKING

When Pastor Schoech accepted a call to Michigan in 1876, the congregation granted him a peaceful release and called the Rev. C. W. R. Frederking of Beecher, Illinois to assume the pastoral duties. With the coming of Pastor



GEORGE KRAEFT, one of the men who gave land to the congregation.

Frederking, the congregation entered another phase of its growth and development. This was to be a period of stability in which a succession of pastors would carefully build upon the work of their predecessors. Pastor Frederking's stay was short due to illness in his family. When he received a call to Goodfarm, Illinois in 1879, the congregation granted him a peaceful release.

The Rev. H. H. Holtermann accepted Immanuel's call in 1879 and served faithfully as pastor until his death December 30, 1887. During this pastorate, Synodical Vice-president Wolbrecht visited Immanuel and other congregations in the area. Immanuel members took seriously the privilege and responsibility of voting membership in the congregation, and for this reason they passed a resolution providing for proper action and disciplining if a voter should miss two voters' meetings in a row without a valid excuse. Pastor Holtermann preached his last sermon Christmas eve. By Christ-



mas day he was too ill to lead the congregation in worship. Pneumonia had set in, and on December 30 the Lord called his faithful servant to his crown of glory. With heavy hearts the members buried their pastor in the church cemetery.



REV. H. H. HOLTERMANN

Immanuel turned to the Springfield Seminary for its next pastor. Candidate Gustav Mueller was ordained and installed by his father in the Fall of 1888. In this year, Immanuel had its first Christmas tree in the church and its first Christmas program. A congregation in West Point, Nebraska called Pastor Mueller in 1891, and although Immanuel did not wish to see him leave, they yielded to his insistence and granted him a peaceful release.

Pastor Joseph H. Fischer of Hepler, Kansas took up the pastorate in 1892. The congregation transported him to his new call at the cost of \$75.00. Unfortunately Pastor Fischer was in failing health. Constant attention from doctors did not improve the situation, and in the Spring of 1896 he found it necessary to resign as pastor under the blessing of the congregation's peaceful release. Shortly after this he passed away.



REV. G. A. MUELLER

Following a short vacancy, Pastor E. Beil of Hilbert, Wisconsin became pastor of Immanuel. The congregation had continued to grow to forty-five members, and the old church building was entirely too small. Immanuel had to build a new church, but where? Some of the members had moved farther south to the vicinity of Conant, Illinois, and the question arose as to whether to build on the present church property or relocate farther south to accommodate the families living near Conant. Although the majority determined to rebuild on the present property, the minority objected so strongly that they built their own church. These thirteen members were released and formed Trinity congregation at Conant in 1897. Shortly after this unfortunate division, Pastor Beil resigned at Immanuel to accept the call as pastor of Trinity at Conant.

Work on the new church went on uninterrupted despite congregational problems. The original contract was for \$1600, but by the time the building was completed with bell and organ the congregation had spent \$2031.61. The new house of worship was dedicated September 19, 1897 in two services. Former Pastor Schoech preached in the morning service, and a former vacancy



IN THE FOREGROUND IS THE PRESENT CHURCH BUILDING. THE  
FIRST CHURCH, BUILT IN 1867, IS IN THE BACKGROUND.



pastor, the Rev. C. Strasen, preached in the afternoon service.

The Rev. Albert Groerich served next as pastor from 1898 until 1904. During this time the congregation served free coffee at a mission festival for the first time, and the congregation built a new parsonage in 1904. When Pastor Groerich accepted a call to Hoyleton, Illinois, Immanuel called the Rev. H. A. Norden of Gillett, Arkansas. In 1907, the congregation built a new school. In August of 1907, Pastor Norden received a call to Howard City, Michigan and was granted a peaceful release.



REV. H. A. NORDEN

Little did the congregation dream that when it called its next pastor, Rev. W. A. Schwermann of Covington, Illinois, they were preparing for the ending of one way of life and the beginning of another era in the history of Immanuel during which worship services would be conducted in English rather than German. Pastor Schwermann came to a congregation of thirty-four members and twenty-seven children in a school, which he taught four days each week. Immanuel celebrated its golden anniversary May 20, 1917. Speakers for this event were Professor Metzger from the St. Louis Seminary, Rev. Fuehler from Hoyleton and Rev. Thomas Schoech, the congregation's first resident pastor. The pastor's salary was raised to \$500.00 per



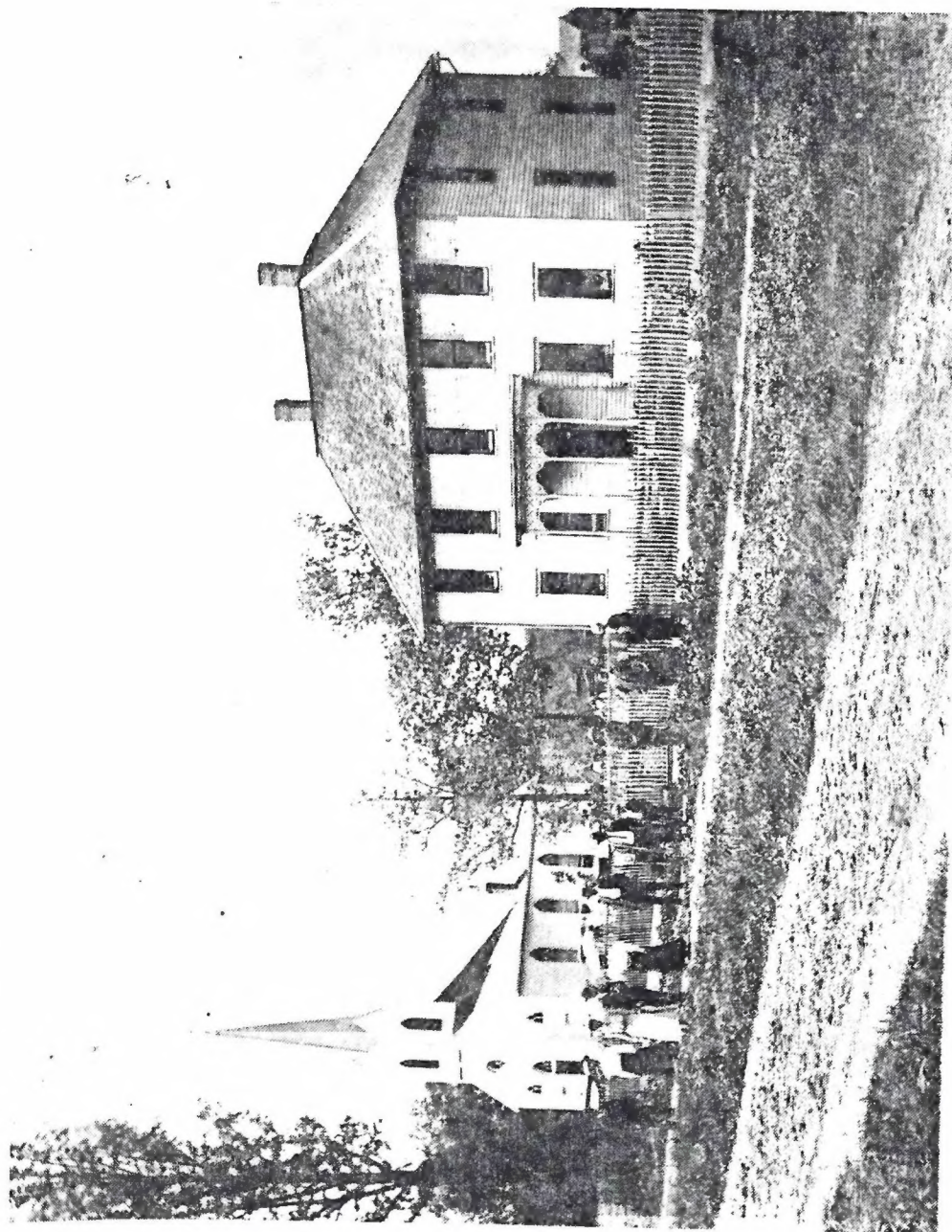
REV. ALBERT GROERICH

year, and in 1918 the monumental decision was made to have English language services on the first Sunday each month. Pastor Schwermann served Immanuel for thirteen years from 1908 until 1921 when he accepted a call to Wisconsin.



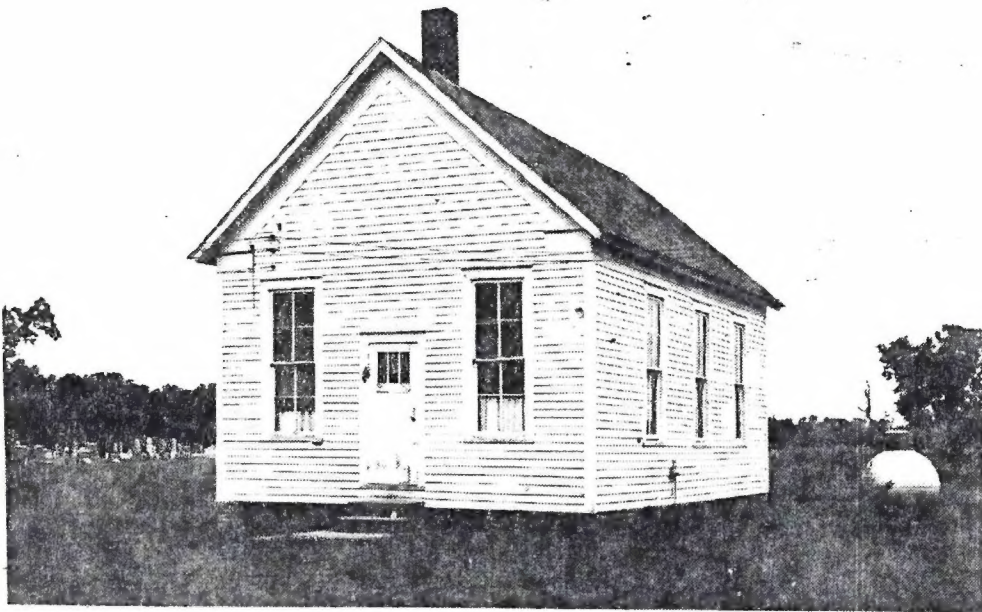
REV. W. A. SCHWERMANN





PART OF GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY FESTIVITIES, MAY 20, 1917.





SCHOOLHOUSE BUILT IN 1907



REV. MARTIN CLAUSEN

There followed a lengthy vacancy until the Rev. P. H. F. Kuehn came to Immanuel from Litchfield, Illinois in mid-1922. His health forced his resignation in 1925. Candidate Martin H. Clausen was ordained and installed as Immanuel's next pastor in 1925. He served until 1930 when he accepted a call to Eagle Bend and Germania, Minnesota. Once more the congregation turned to a candidate, H. W. Kraft. Pastor Kraft served Immanuel until he resigned from the ministry in 1933. The Rev. Alfred A. Bodtke came to Immanuel from Oklahoma in 1933 and served until he accepted a call to the Lutheran Orphan's Home in Des Peres, Missouri in 1940. Late in 1939, Pastor Bodtke formed a Young People's Society. Congregational minutes were taken in the English language for the first time on May 14, 1939, but it was not until May 11, 1941 that all minutes from then on were taken in English.





REV. H. W. KRAFT



REV. ALFRED A. BODTKE

With the transition to the English language nearing its end, candidate Walter Hoffmann was installed as pastor in the fall of 1940. Immanuel celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary May 1st, 1942 in three services. Former Pastor A. Bodtke preached in the morning; Professor G. B. Schick from the St. Louis Seminary preached in the afternoon; and former Pastor Martin Claussen preached in the evening. In 1942 the congregation raised the pastor's salary to \$900 per year and also decided to enter into the Synod's pension plan for pastors and teachers. In 1943 the pastor's salary was raised another \$100, and the congregation



REV. W. HOFFMAN

decided to add a chancel niche to the church. On several occasions motions were made in voters' meetings to dig a basement under the church building or under parts of it, but all such motions were defeated. When the chancel addition was completed, the entire church was redecorated. Pastor Hoffmann was granted a peaceful release to Manchester, New Hampshire in 1944.



REV. PAUL MOLL

The Rev. Paul Moll began serving as pastor late in 1945. When it was learned that Pastor Moll had no lawn mower for cutting the grass, one of the members offered his sheep for the job. Pastor Moll began the practice of individual communion announcement in 1947 in order to provide for personal admonition and forgiveness. He was also responsible for beginning a Sunday School in the summer of 1948. Pastor Moll left Immanuel to go to Brussels, Illinois in 1948.



REV. O. D. MEYER

Pastor O. D. Meyer served Immanuel from 1949 until 1951. At first he returned the congregation's call, but when he received it a second time, he accepted. The congregation installed the water system in the parsonage in 1949, and in 1951 a dial phone made its way into the parsonage. By 1950 the number of children attending the congregation's school had grown quite small, and the burden of teaching in addition to regular pastoral duties was becoming disagreeable to the pastors. Consequently, when Pastor Meyer left Immanuel in 1951 to do mission work among trailer settlements in Mississippi, the congregation decided to drop from its next call the request that the pastor teach school. With this decision the congregation closed the doors of a school which it had operated since 1873.

Nebraska gave Immanuel the Rev. E. Walter Bellmann as its pastor in 1952 after a vacancy of more than nine months. Pastor Bellmann supervised the revision of the constitution and began the Ladies Aid Society. On



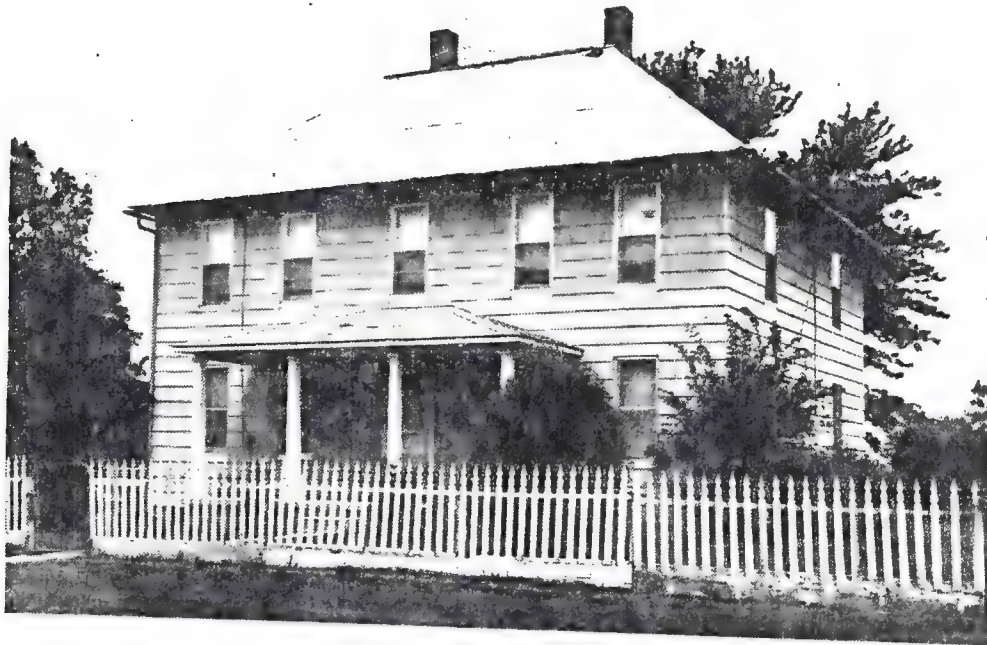
REV. E. WALTER BELLMANN

September 17, 1952, sixteen ladies of Immanuel, Lost Prairie and Trinity, Conant met with Pastor Bellmann to form the Ladies Aid Society. By making and selling apple butter, holding chicken fries and bake sales, the ladies managed to render great service to the congregation and the church at large. Among their many contributions were storm windows and kitchen cabinets for the parsonage and money for the purchase of a new organ. They gathered, packaged and sent needed materials to missionaries, and they sewed materials for the Lutheran World Relief. They made and donated altar cloths which still beautify Immanuel's altar, pulpit and lectern and they donated the picture



REV. CARL BENNING





THE PARSONAGE

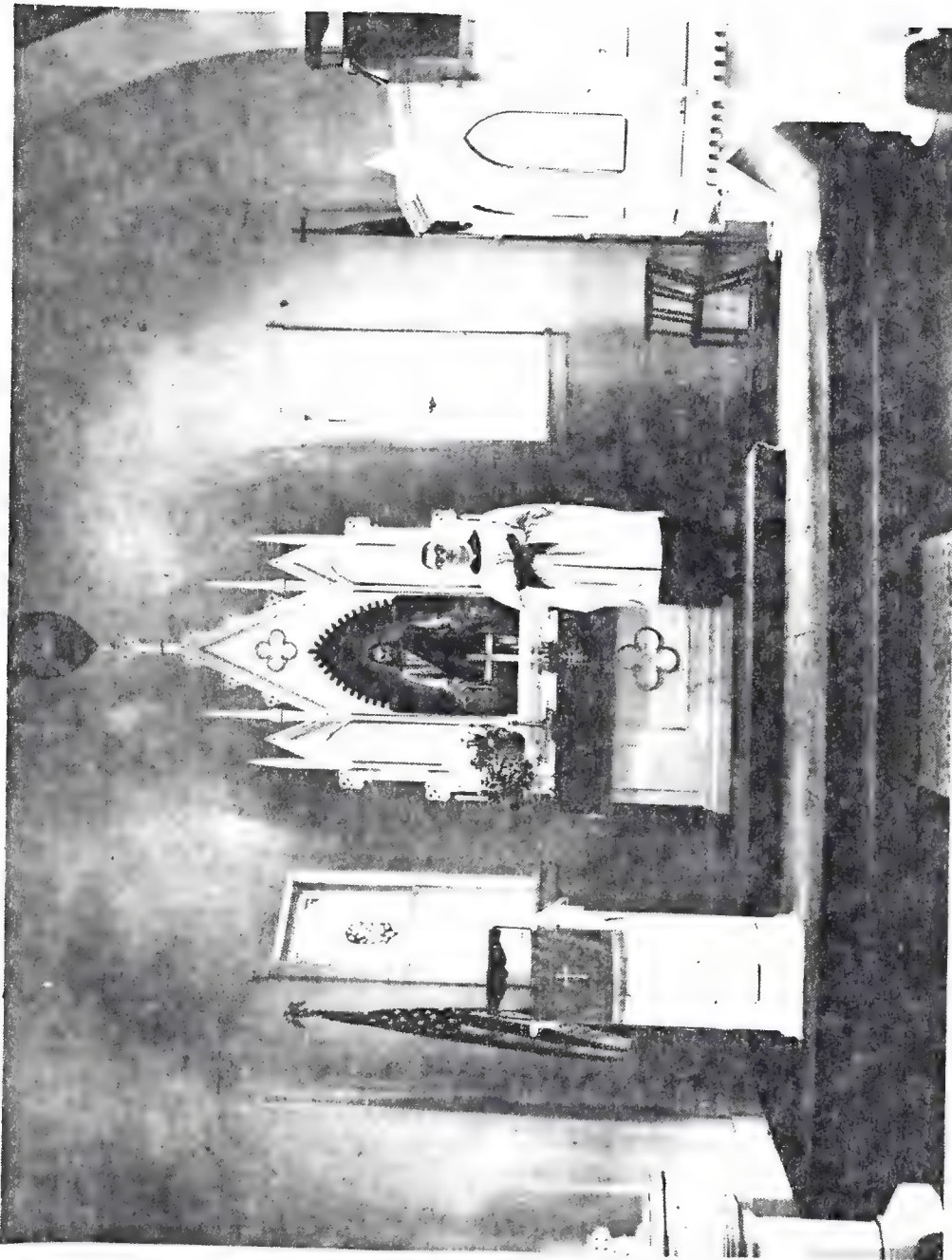
received and accepted a second call from Zion congregation in Hillsboro, Missouri. He preached his farewell sermon January 24, 1965.

By this time Zion congregation of Pinckneyville had been vacant for nearly half a year, and so discussion began in earnest on the consideration of the formation of a multiple parish. March 14, 1965, Immanuel, Trinity and Zion Lutheran congregations signed an agreement uniting them in a multiple parish. Under this agreement the three congregations together called for a pastor, set his salary at \$425 a month with a \$75 a month car allowance, and entered the Missouri Synod's new retirement and welfare plans for pastors and teachers.

Calls were extended and calls were returned. But at long last candidate

Carl Heidel was assigned to the three congregations, and on December 19, 1965 he was installed as pastor. The course of Immanuel's history had now run a full cycle, for strangely enough Pastor Heidel's wife, Charlotte nee Strasen, was the great granddaughter of the Rev. John Doermann who helped organize Immanuel in 1867, and the great niece of the Rev. C. Strasen who served Immanuel as vacancy pastor early in its history.

One hundred years of God's grace. For this Immanuel offers thanks and sings the praises of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost. Stepping into an uncharted future, the congregation walks in the faith of its fathers, singing the ancient hymn of the Christian church... "We praise thee, O God; We acknowledge thee to be the Lord."



PASTOR HEIDEL AT THE ALTAR





THE CHANCEL OF IMMANUEL

THE CHURCH COUNCIL. - Top picture next page, (L to R). Front row: Pastor Heidel, Carl Schaudt, John Schaudt, Ernest Beck, William Schaudt. Back row: Willard Schaudt, Theodore Caupert, John Caupert, Herbert Paasch, Dwayne Schwarz, Edgar Schwarz.

THE CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE. - Bottom picture next page, (L to R). Front row: Pastor Heidel, Mrs. Carl Schaudt, Mrs. Theodore Caupert, Mrs. Ernest Beck, Mrs. William Schaudt, William Schaudt. Back row: Carl Schaudt, Theodore Caupert, Ernest Beck, Edgar Schwarz, Mrs. Edgar Schwarz.



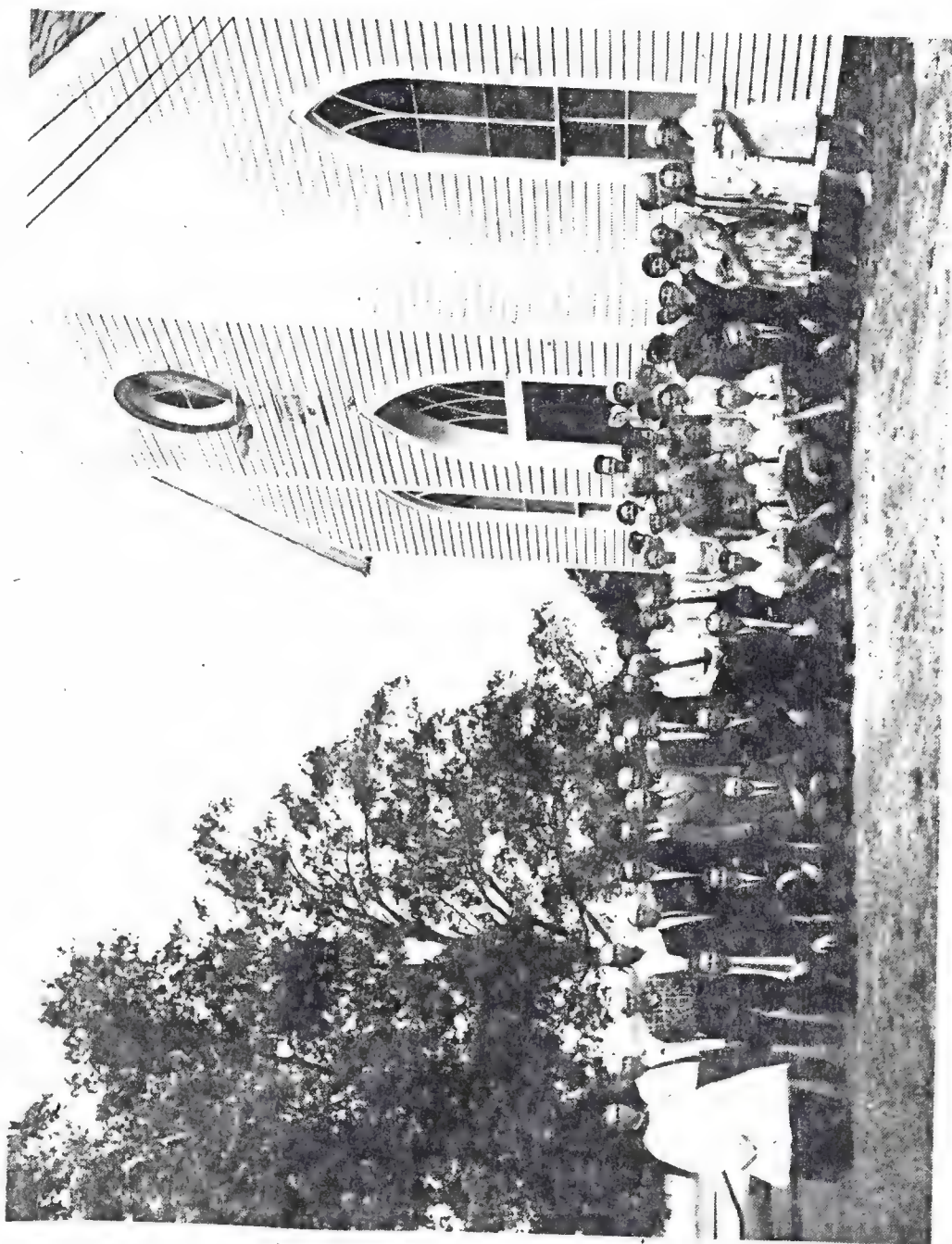
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IMMANUEL CONGREGATION 1967



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of Beck, (Wacke in part of K), Lydia Campbell, Anna Mayes,  
Eliza Wagner, Maria Mac Schwan, Maria Campbell, Emma Schwan.

Friend of Lady.

Friend of church door, Marya Schwan and  
Sam. Schwan & Anna

K. 170 to 1710 in 1810. (Scholarship), Marya Schwan, John Schwan, H. O.  
Schwan, John Taylor, Bill Schwan, (K. 170 to 1710) and others  
Anna Almonday, Edna Schwan.



# FROM THE RECORDS OF IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

1861:

Baptized: David Wildermuth, Louisa Caupert

1862:

Baptized: Henry Young, Amerlin Young, Sophie Schrader, Caroline Young,  
Jacob Lambert, Peter Loos

1863:

Baptized: George Caupert, Kathrina Weingart, George Roemhild, Rosina Federer,  
John Bauersachs, Anna Brostmeyer, Margaretta Harmony, Wilhamine  
Krug, Emme Driemeyer, Jacob Lust, Christina Loebban, Louis Felt-  
Meyer, Bertha Hoffmann, William Kraft, Bertha Mulhausen, Fred Beck,  
Fred Weingart, Andrew Beck

Confirmed: Christina Kraft

Married: Fred Beck to Regina Gerstenschlager

1864:

Baptized: Adam Young, Andrew Fredrick Beck

Died: Barbara Beck

1865:

Baptized: Elizabeth Beck, John Bauersachs

Confirmed: Carl Jacob Wildermuth, John Beck, Katharina Wildermuth

Died: Louis Fedder

1866:

Baptized: Louis Paasch, Gottfried Paasch

Confirmed: George Kraft, Elizabeth Beck

1867:

Baptized: <sup>(Kati)</sup> Maria Caupert, Eva Elizabeth Beck, Bertha Kraft, John Ritter,  
John Peter Bauersachs, Barbara Beck, Susane Wagner

Confirmed: Christina Federer

1868:

Baptized: Gottlob Caupert

Confirmed: Frank Paasch, Gottlob Wildermuth

Married: Fredrick Walters to Caroline Denninger, Andrew Denninger to Friedericke Schuman, Louis Tanner to Christina Kraft

1869:

Baptized: <sup>(LENA)</sup> Madaline Schneider, Julia Beck, Louis Bauersachs, Bertha Tanner

Confirmed: Gottfried Federer

1870:

Baptized: Andrew Walters, Carolina Denninger, Carolina Ritter, John Harmony, Louis Haucke

Confirmed: John Wildermuth, Christian Federer

Died: John Gottlob Wildermuth

1871:

Baptized: Carl Caupert, Andrew Beck, George Walters, John Denninger

Confirmed: Albert Kraft, Christina Roemhild

1872:

Baptized: Carl Bauersachs, Mathilda Zinke, Jacob and Louisa Caupert (twins), Carolina Reich, John Reich, Emma Reich, Johanna Reich

Married: Rev. Thomas Schoech to Elisebeth Schmucker, Henry Luhrs to Wilhelmina Roemhild

Died: Son of George Roemhild

1873:

Baptized: Henry W. Beck, Friedericka Walters, Johanna M. Schoech, Paulina Tanner, Emma E. Beck, John F. Denninger

Confirmed: Henry Bauersachs, William Beck, John Wildermuth, Emilia Bauersachs Martin Burber, Bertha Roemhild

Married: Carl Dahne to Christina Federer

Died: Fred Beck, Jacob Caupert, Stillborn child of Gottfried Burb



1874:

Baptized: Emilia Dahne, Marie Caupert, George Roemhild, John Bauersachs, Jacob Schumaier, John Beck, Wilhalmina Zinke, Fredrick Walters, Emilia Burber

Confirmed: Edmund Gerstenschlager, Henry Brostmeyer, Julius Gerstenschlager, William Wagner, Sigmund Burber, Henry Gerstenschlager, Martha Wagner

Married: Jacob Wildermuth to Marie Schmucker

Died: Gabriel Trefts, Johanna Schoech, Emilia Burber

1875:

Baptized: Louise Denninger, Marie Dahne, Henry Reiss, Gottlob Wildermuth, Gotthold Schoech, Albert Gerstenschlager, Marie Beck

Confirmed: Christina Brub, Gabriel Federer, William Bauersachs, George Beck, David Wildermuth, George Caupert, Marie Wagner, Anna Gerstenschlager, Christina Schmucker, Friedericka Kihn, Carolina Roemhild, Marie Federer, Mathilda Caupert

Married: Joseph Schmucker to Bertha Roemhild, George Kraft to Marie Wagner

Died: Christ Wagner, Peter Denninger, Wilhalmina Zinke

1876:

Baptized: Emilia Schumaier, Bertha Tanner, Johanna Schmucker, Bertha Kraft, John Caupert

Confirmed: Eva Gerstenschlager, Wilhalmina Gerstenschlager, Johann Schaudt, Martin Mayer, Julius Fredrick Beck, Anna Zinke, Anna Ringwald

Married: Gottlob Schwarz to Kathrine Loos

Died: Bertha Kraft

1877:

Baptized: Sophia Walters, George Schwarz, Albert Kalbfleisch

Married: Albert Kraft to Martha Wagner

Died: Wilhalmina Burbs, Daughter of John Bauersachs

1878:

- Baptized: Bertha Kraft, Libby Frederking, John Schaudt, William Schumaier, Sophie Kraft, Elisabeth Schmucker, Eva Gerstenschlager, Martin Tanner, Louis Caupert, George Kalbfleisch
- Confirmed: Louis Paasch, William Kraft, Henry Wagner, Fred Paasch, Carl Zinke, Andrew Beck, John Caupert, John Gerstenschlager, Marie Frederking, Anna Schaudt, Anna Zacker
- Married: Henry Bandal to Elisebeth Rading, Gottlob Wildermuth to Johanna Schmucker, Ingwer Feddersen to Caroline Roemhild
- Died: Philip Tanner, Marie Treffts, Kaspar Caupert, Wilhalmina Kraft, Rosa Federer

1879:

- Baptized: Waldamar Wildermuth, Anna Zinke, Rosa and Martha Tanner (twins), John Wildermuth, Marie and John Walters (twins), Bertha Kraft, Henry Feddersen, Henrietta Denninger
- Confirmed: John Federer, Caroline Beck, Christina Zinke, Anna Schaudt
- Married: Michael Mayer to Anna Zinke, William Beck to Kathrina Mayer
- Died: Kathrina Samler, Waldamar Wildermuth, George Beck, John George and Marie Walters (twins)

1880:

- Baptized: Martin Schumaier, Emma Gerstenschlager, Freda Gerstenschlager, John Gerstenschlager, Christina Schwarz, Samuel Bauersachs, Elisebeth Beck, Martin Mayer, Elisabeth Gerstenschlager
- Died: Marie Kraft, Samuel Bauersachs

1881:

- Baptized: Anna Denninger, George Walters, Alvina Wildermuth, William Tanner, Martin Feddersen, Susan Holtermann
- Confirmed: John Bauersachs, George Lust, Kathrina Caupert, Susan Wagner, Elise Kraft, Barbara Beck
- Married: Henry Bauersachs to Elisebeth Baßst
- Died: Stillborn John Beck, Marie Wildermuth, John Beck, Elisebeth Schumaier

1882:

- Baptized: Clara Brune, Lydia Kraft, Mathilda Schumaier, Louise Bauersachs, Louise Schwarz, John and Bertha Beck (twins), Albert Wildermuth, Mathilda Pick, Clara Kraft, Kathrina Mayer, Carolina Bauersachs
- Married: August Lahmann to Marie Schaudt, Christian Schwarz to Anna Schaudt
- Died: Clara Kraft



1883:

Baptized: Anna Walters, Henry Denninger, Henry Wildermuth, Anna Lahmann, William Wagner

Confirmed: Peter Bauersachs, Carl Roemhild, William Zinke, Louis Caupert, George Brune, Carl Lahmann, Julia Beck

Married: Henry Schneider to Mathilda Caupert (Casper's Dan)

Died: Anna Lahmann, Stillborn son of Rev. Holtermann

1884:

Baptized: John Schwarz, Emilie Tanner, Kathrina Wildermuth, Rosa Kraft, Agnes Kraft, Carolina Schumaier, Herman Lust, Michael Mayer, Carl Pick, Fred Woehlke, Mathilda Feddersen

Confirmed: Bertha Tanner, Caroline Denninger

Died: Stillborn child of August Lahmann

1885:

Baptized: Mathilda Holtermann, Theodor Wagner, Jacob Schwarz, Marie Bauersachs, George Bandal, Hanna Kraft, Carl Beck, Carl Schwarz

Confirmed: Louis Bauersachs, Carl Caupert, William Walters, Emil Lahmann, Anna Brostmeyer, Marie Mayer, Louise Zinke, Rosa Tanner

Married: John Wildermuth to Elisebeth Loos, Louis Paasch to Elisebeth Saefert

1886:

Baptized: Emil Woehlke, Caroline Paasch, Katharina Walters, Carl Feddersen, Edward Mayer, Anna Schumaier, Ernst Wildermuth, Johann Wildermuth, Henry Bandal, Albert Tanner, Philipp Tanner

Confirmed: Andrew Beck, George Walters, John Denninger, Emma Brostmeyer, Louise Caupert

Married: John Schaudt to Louise Beck, William Kraft to Margartha Feddersen

Died: Christina Schwarz, Elisebeth Wildermuth, Albert Tanner, John Wildermuth, William Wagner

1887:

Baptized: Martha Brune, Adolph Holtermann, Henry Woehlke, Edward Kraft, Rose Schwarz, Fred Wagner, Marie Shott, Carl Shott, Elsie Shott, Frank Gillas, Erhart Wildermuth

Confirmed: Martin Brune, William Beck, Marie Brostmeyer, Emma Beck, Mathilda Zinke

Married: John Wildermuth to Kathrina Caupert

Died: Rev. Holtermann

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| <u>1898:</u> |  | <u>1903</u>  |
| Baptized:    | Arthur Beck, Lillian Wagner, Lotta Krick, Marie Wildermuth, Clara Roemhild, Otto Caupert   | Bapt         |
| Confirmed:   | John Denninger, John Schwarz, F. H. Martin Woehlke, Michael Mayer, Theodore Wagner, Otto Roethe, Louis Wise, Rosa Kraft, Kathrina Wildermuth, Mathilda Feddersen, Mr. Carl Schmidt, Mrs. John Bauersachs | Conf<br>Mar  |
| Died:        | Stillborn child of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Mayer, Philip Kraft   | Died         |
| <u>1899:</u> |  | <u>1904</u>  |
| Baptized:    | Ernest Beck, Herman Bauersachs, Hulda Caupert, Trugott Groerich, Henry Schwarz   | Bapt         |
| Died:        | Jacob Schumaier, John Bauersachs   | Conf         |
| <u>1900:</u> |  | <u>1905</u>  |
| Baptized:    | Theodore Bauersachs, Oscar Caupert, Mathilda Wildermuth, Ida Caupert, Paulina Roemhild, Louis Schmidt  | Mar<br>Died  |
| Confirmed:   | Jacob Schwarz, Carl Beck, Carl Schwarz, Emil Woehlke, Carl Feddersen, Caroline Schumaier, Carolina Paasch  | Bapt         |
| Married:     | John Schrader to Rosa Denninger, William Thomas to Marie Schott George Roemhild to Louisa Bauersachs, Theodore Wildermuth to Bertha Beck   |              |
| <u>1901:</u> |  | <u>1906</u>  |
| Baptized:    | Fred Schwarz, Peter Gerstenschlager, Adele Wildermuth, Henry Wagner  | Conf<br>Died |
| Confirmed:   | Ernest Wildermuth, Fred Woehlke, Fred Wagner, Erhardt Wildermuth, Rosina Schwarz, Louisa Paasch  | Bapt         |
| Married:     | Gottlob Caupert to Emilia Schumaier, John Wildermuth to Elizabeth Beck   | Conf         |
| Died:        | Theodore Bauersachs, Elsie Denninger   | Mar          |
| <u>1902:</u> |  | <u>1907</u>  |
| Baptized:    | Emmanuel Groerich, Minnie Caupert, Adolph Bauersachs, William Caupert, Theodore Caupert, Arnold Schrader, Richard Roemhild, Carl Schmidt, Oscar Roemhild   | Died<br>Bapt |
| Confirmed:   | Henry Schneider, Edward Wagner, Marie Feddersen, Emma Beck, Johanna Wildermuth   | Conf         |
| Married:     | George Brune to Kathrina Schwarz   |              |
| Died:        | Louisa Schaudt, Louisa Paasch  | Marr         |



1903:

Baptized: Walter Wildermuth, Edward Caupert, Rudolph Bauersachs, Lillian Wildermuth, Walter Brune, Carl Schaudt, Emil Gerstenschlager

Confirmed: Louis Schwarz, Herman Woehlke

Married: William Dietz to Sophia Loos; Louis Caupert to Gottlibina Zinke, John Schaudt to Theresa Caupert

Died: Christian Schwarz

1904:

Baptized: Lydia Schmidt, Alma Schrader, Jacob Caupert, Lydia Caupert

Confirmed: David Schwarz, David Paasch, Martin Beck, Lydia Wildermuth, Bertha Wildermuth, Emma Wildermuth, Louise Schneider

Married: John Beck to Mathilda Pick, Albert Wildermuth to Mathilda Feddersen

Died: Peter Bauersachs, Martin Woehlke

1905:

Baptized: Lydia Roemhild, William Schaudt, Theodore Norden, Lillian Jausel, Anna Guenther, Elmer Guenther, Adolph Guenther, Clarence Guenther, Ernest Roemhild, Rudolph Wildermuth, Erwin Wildermuth, Marie Schmidt, Eleanora Bauersachs.

Confirmed: Minnie Luhr

Died: Rosa Schaudt

1906:

Baptized: Concordia Beck, Elsie Wildermuth, Theodore Hassenbrock, Clarence Wildermuth

Confirmed: Carl Hildenbrand, William Paasch, Christina Schwarz, Mathilda Gerstenschlager, Johanna Schmidt

Married: Henry Wildermuth to Rosina Schwarz, Martin Mayer to Carolina Paasch

Died: Maria Bauersachs, Mathilda Roemhild

1907:

Baptized: Louisa Schaudt, Myrtle Jausel, Bertha Caupert, Carlphine Bauersachs, Concordia Roemhild, Leona Wildermuth, Clinton Wildermuth

Confirmed: Walter Wagner, William Schwarz, Mathilda Roemhild, Rosa Schaudt, Louise Wildermuth, Emilia Beck, Martha Wildermuth

Married: Martin Feddersen to Kathrina Wildermuth

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| <u>1908:</u> |  | <u>1913:</u> |
| Baptized:    | Kathrina Roemhild, James Gerstenschlager, Martin Hassenbrock,<br>Edward Wildermuth, Harold Ohlau, William Jausel       | Bapti        |
| Married:     | Martin Brune to Louisa Schwarz   | Confi        |
| Died:        | Kathrina Wildermuth  | Marr         |
| <u>1909:</u> |  | Died:        |
| Baptized:    | Onita Beck, Agnes Bauersachs, Louis Schaudt, Martha Krumwide,<br>Susie Denninger, Blanche Denninger, Laura Wildermuth  | <u>1914:</u> |
| Confirmed:   | Clara Wildermuth, John Feddersen, Carl Wildermuth, George Roemhild<br>Anna Caupert, Freida Schmidt, Emilia Hildenbrand | Bapti        |
| Married:     | Carl Pick to Emma Beck   | Confi        |
| <u>1910:</u> |  | <u>1915:</u> |
| Baptized:    | Cleta Caupert, William Roemhild, Edwin Feddersen, Hildegard<br>Roemhild, Dorothea Schwermann, Bertha Jausel            | Bapti        |
| Confirmed:   | William Schneider, Theodore Schwarz, Fred Caupert, Susie Denninger   | Confi        |
| Died:        | Marie Kraft, Andrew Denninger  | Died:        |
| <u>1911:</u> |  | <u>1916:</u> |
| Baptized:    | Ludwig Wildermuth, John Caupert, Erna Beck, David Gerstenschlager,<br>Anna Krumwide, John Schaudt                      | Bapti        |
| Confirmed:   | Marie Wildermuth, Henry Caupert, Arthur Beck, William Brune,<br>William Mayer, John Roemhild                           | Confi        |
| Married:     | John Schwarz to Emma Wildermuth  | Died:        |
| Died:        | Jacob Ringwald, Kathrina Zinke   | <u>1917:</u> |
| <u>1912:</u> |  | Bapti        |
| Baptized:    | Carl Wildermuth, Cecelia Wildermuth, Alvera Beck, Lisseta Mayer,<br>Ida Jausel, David Roemhild                         | Confi        |
| Confirmed:   | Arthur Bauersachs, Otto Caupert, Jesse Gerstenschlager, Clara<br>Roemhild  | Marr         |
| Married:     | Ernest Wildermuth to Emilia Beck, Carl Schwarz to Lydia Wildermuth   | Died:        |
| Died:        | Alvina Bauersachs, Frank Woehlke   | <u>1918:</u> |
|              |  | Bapti        |
|              |  | Confi        |
|              |  | Marr         |



1913:

Baptized: Albert Schwarz

Confirmed: Ernest Beck, Henry Schwarz, Walter Bauersachs

Married: Michael Mayer to Mathilda Roemhild, Jacob Schwarz to Kathrina Vogel,  
William Paasch to Rosa Schaudt, Walter Pick to Johanna Wildermuth

Died: Gottlob Schwarz

1914:

Baptized: Wilbert Beck, Martin Schwarz, Alfred Beck, Walter Wildermuth,  
Edgar Schwarz, Olga Caupert

Confirmed: Mathilda Wildermuth, Hulda Caupert, Herman Bauersachs, Oscar  
Caupert

1915:

Baptized: Estella Roemhild, Edward Wildermuth, Dorothy Woehlke

Confirmed: Henry Wagner, Ida Caupert, Pauline Roemhild

Died: Kathrina Woehlke, George Roemhild, Laura Wildermuth

1916:

Baptized: Albert Schwarz

Confirmed: Arthur Schwermann, Theodore Caupert, William Caupert, Peter  
Gerstenschlager, Richard Roemhild, Minnie Caupert, Adele Wildermuth

Died: Johanna Wildermuth

1917:

Baptized: Herbert Wildermuth, Lucille Beck, Clarence Woehlke, Onita Mayer,  
Gerhardt Schwarz, Velma Beck

Confirmed: Edna Schwermann, Etta Bauersachs, Elmer Weber, Adolph Bauersachs,  
Oscar Roemhild

Married: George Gerstenschlager to Alma Weber

Died: Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Beck, Gerhardt Schwarz, Gottlob  
Zinke

1918:

Baptized: Elder Beck, Edward Paasch

Confirmed: Lillian Wildermuth, Lydia Caupert, Carl Schaudt, Emil Gerstenschlager  
Edward Caupert

Married: William Schrader to Clara Caupert

1919:

- Baptized: Esther Schwarz, Delmar Gerstenschlager, Florence Beck, Laurine Wildermuth, Lawrence Woehlke, Clara Schwarz
- Confirmed: Elsie Wildermuth, Concordia Beck, Viola Bauersachs, Alfred Caupert, Jacob Caupert, Edgar Schwermann, Albert Beck
- Married: William F. Meyer to Rose L. Schwermann, Erhard Mayer to Anna Caupert
- Died: John Denninger, Carolina Mayer, Julius Gerstenschlager, Anna Schaudt, Cleta Caupert

1920:

- Baptized: LeRoy Beck, Gottlob Schwarz, Marie Schwarz (twins), Hildegard Wagner, Theodore Mayer
- Confirmed: Francis Schwermann, Erwin Wildermuth, William Schaudt
- Married: Chris Rieke to Anna Schumaier, William Schwarz to Johanna Mayer
- Died: Marianna Mayer, William Beck

1921:

- Baptized: Gerhardt Schwarz, Esther Woehlke
- Confirmed: Louis Schaudt, Bertha Caupert, Leona Wildermuth, Ernestine Mayer, Fred Schwarz
- Died: Jacob Wildermuth, Christina Caupert, Infant of John Beck

1922:

- Baptized: LaVerna Beck, Lillian Alberta Beck, Henriatta Beck, Fred Mayer, Henry Paasch, Irma Wildermuth, Wilma Schwarz, Clarence Schumaier, Willard Schwarz
- Married: Henry Schwarz to Etta Bauersachs, Oscar Caupert to Anna Bigham
- Died: Carolina Schumaier, Vilma Schwarz

1923:

- Baptized: Robert Schwarz, Harold Caupert, Elenor Gerstenschlager, Louisa Caupert
- Confirmed: Clinton Wildermuth, Onita Beck, Emilia Mayer
- Married: George Beck to Hulda Caupert
- Died: Harold Caupert (1924)



1924:

Baptized: Myra Beck, Carl Mayer, Iona Caupert, Gertrude Beck

Confirmed: Louis Schaudt

Married: Clarence Wiebusch to Edna Schnepel, Richard Mayer to Della Duyrham

1925:

Baptized: Herbert Paasch, Emilia Beck, Glenn Schwarz, Lorena Caupert, Erwin Woehlke

Confirmed: Peter Reidelberger

Died: Anna Schwarz, Emil Gerstenschlager

1926:

Baptized Friedericka Mayer, Aletha Gerstenschlager, Iona Schwarz

Confirmed: John Caupert, John Schaudt, Ludwig Wildermuth, Alvira Beck, Erna Beck, Lisetta Mayer, Cecelia Wildermuth, Rudolph Caupert

Married: Theodore Caupert to Lulu Mueller, Alfred Caupert to Concordia Beck

1927:

Baptized: Eugene Schumaier, Norma Caupert, William Beck, Edwin Mayer, Harold Schwarz, Edward Gerstenschlager, Clyde Schwarz

Confirmed: Albert Schwarz, Wilbert Beck

Died: Lydia Caupert, Ludwig Paasch, Mathilda Caupert, William Wagner, Carl Bauersachs

1928:

Baptized: Edith Beck, Kenneth Caupert, Vera Caupert, Leona Schwarz

Confirmed: George Mayer, Alfred Beck, Walter Wildermuth, Edgar Schwarz, Edward Wildermuth, Olga Caupert, Dorothea Woehlke

Married: Ludwig Schwarz to Emilie Mayer, Elmer Keller to Lillian Wildermuth

Died: Katharina Wildermuth, Johann Wildermuth, Johann Mayer

1929:

Baptized: Loraine Mayer, Viola Schwarz, Helen Caupert

Died: Fred Wagner, David Gerstenschlager

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| <u>1930:</u>  |     |
| Baptized: Paul T. Beck, Ervin Schwarz   | 19  |
| Confirmed: Christine Mayer, Lucille Beck, Herbert Wildermuth  | Ba  |
| Died: Lois V. Schwarz, Alma Schwarz, John G. Schaudt  | Co  |
| <u>1931:</u>  |     |
| Baptized: Everett Schwarz, Herman W. Mayer, Joan Kraft, Marie Mayer   | Ma  |
| Confirmed: Elder Beck, Velma Beck, Onita Mayer, Edward Paasch, Esther Schwarz, Laurine Wildermuth, Clarence Woehlke, Lawrence Woehlke                         | Die |
| Died: Marie Mayer   | 19  |
| <u>1932:</u>  |     |
| Baptized: Edith Mayer   | Ba  |
| Confirmed: Florence Beck, Mathilda Bauersachs   | Co  |
| Died: David Paasch  | Ma  |
| <u>1933:</u>  |     |
| Baptized: Alma Schwarz, Herbert Woehlke, Lois Caupert   | 19  |
| Confirmed: LeRoy Beck, Clarence Schrader, Clara Schwarz, Hildegard Wagner   | Ba  |
| <u>1934:</u>  |     |
| Confirmed: Theodore Mayer, LaVerna Beck, Alberta Beck, Esther Woehlke   | Co  |
| Married: Henry Wagner to Olga Hartman   | Die |
| <u>1935:</u>  |     |
| Baptized: Verna Mayer   | 19  |
| Confirmed: Fred Mayer, Gerhardt Schwarz   | Ba  |
| Died: Katharina Schwarz   | Co  |
| <u>1936:</u>  |     |
| Baptized: Leota Caupert, Evelyn Wagner, Mrs. Jacob Schwarz, Erhardt Schwarz, Alvina Schwarz, Ernest Schwarz   | Ma  |
| Confirmed: Henrietta Beck, Irma Wildermuth, Willard Schwarz, Henry Paasch, Mrs. Jacob Schwarz, Martin Schwarz, Albert Schwarz, Marie Schwarz, Gottlob Schwarz | Die |
| Died: Louise Wildermuth   | 19  |
|   | Ba  |
|   | Co  |
|   | Die |



1937:

Baptized: Norma Schwarz, Lloyd Mayer

Confirmed: Myra Beck, Robert Schwarz, Carl Mayer

Married: Edward Wildermuth to Marie Heisner, Wilbert Beck to Hildegard Wagner

Died: John Caupert

1938:

Baptized: Alvin Beck

Confirmed: Louise Caupert, Erwin Woehlke, Lorena Caupert, Iona Caupert, Amelia Beck, Gertrude Beck, Herbert Paasch

Married: Albert Schwarz to Lucille Beck

1939:

Baptized: Vernon Caupert, Bernice Wildermuth, Velma Schwarz

Confirmed: Freda Mayer

Married: Alfred Beck to Esther Schwarz, Howard Davis to Theckla Brune

Died: David Wildermuth, Marie Wagner, George Caupert

1940:

Baptized: Loren Beck, Ronald Bodtke, Erna Mayer

Confirmed: Ernardt Schwarz, William Beck, Edwin Mayer, Norma Caupert, Iona Schwarz, Clyde Schwarz, Harold Schwarz

Died: Alma Beck

1941:

Baptized: Janeth Schwarz, Verna Schaudt, Barbara Hoffmann

Confirmed: Edith Beck, Helen V. Caupert, Kenneth Caupert, Alvina Schwarz, Ernest Schwarz, Ernest Volpert (adult)

Married: Paul Wagner to Irma Wildermuth

Died: William Schwarz, Henry Bauersachs

1942:

Baptized: William Schwarz, Marie Caupert

Confirmed: Paul Beck, Helen Marie Caupert, Viola Schwarz, Leona Schwarz, Lorienta Mayer

Died: George Mayer, Caroline Feddersen

1943:

Baptized: Nelsen Clyde Schwarz, Margaret Beck, Earl Volpert, Mabel Schaudt, Irma Wildermuth

Died: Henry Wildermuth, Jacob Schumaier, Anna Mayer

1944:

Baptized: Marie Rabe

Confirmed: Herman Mayer, Ervin Schwarz

Married: Charles Woodruff to Betty McElary

1945:

Baptized: Marion Mayer, Eunice Beck, Paul Moll III

Died: Theresa Schaudt, John Schaudt Jr.

1946:

Baptized: Paula Woehlke, David Moll

Confirmed: Edith Mayer, Eugene Gielow

Married: Clarence Schrader to Alberta Beck, Harold Ebers to Virginia Mayer

Died: Martin Beck, Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William Schaudt, Katherine Beck

1947:

Baptized: Ruth Beck

Confirmed: Alma Schwarz, Herbert Woehlke, Lois Caupert, Mrs. Clarence Woehlke

Married: Lawrence Woehlke to Myra Beck, Edgar Schwarz to LaVerna Beck, Clarence Woehlke to Wilma Engelhardt

Died: Gottlob Max Schwarz

1948:

Baptized: Willard Schaudt, Phillip Moll, Elvis Wildermuth

1949:

Married: Oscar Schnepel to Florence Beck, Arnold Ebers to Lorina Mayer, Henry Paasch to Amelia Beck, William Launhardt to Olga Caupert

1950:

Baptized: Edgar Dwayne Schwarz, Margaret Meyer, Barbara Paasch, Wayne Wildermuth

Confirmed: Leota Caupert, Herman Beck

Married: Alfred D. Blumenkamp to Helen Caupert

Died: Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Schaudt

1951:

Confirmed: Alvin Beck, Lloyd Mayer, Norma Schwarz, Maurice Mayer, Vernon Mayer, Delbert Stegman

1952:

Baptized: Elaine Schwarz

Died: Kathrina Wildermuth

1953:

Baptized: Brenda Mayer

Confirmed: Loren Beck, Velma Schwarz

Died: Infant Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Schaudt, Katharine Schwarz

1955:

Married: Paul Beck to Verna Mayer, Kenneth Hileman to Lois Caupert

Died: Theodore Wildermuth, Bertha Wildermuth

1956:

Baptized: Katherine Beck, Debra Mayer, Emma Mayer

Confirmed: Margaret Beck, Marie Caupert, Verna Schaudt, William Schwarz

Died: George Schwarz, John Schwarz

1957:

Confirmed: James Davis, Eral Volpert

Died: William Schumaier



1958:

Baptized: James Lewis and Phillis Evelyn Zimmermann (twins), Ronald Herman Mayer, Glenda Gall Beck, Roger David Paasch, Theodore John Mayer

Married: Edith M. Beck to Theodore Pick

Died: James Lewis Zimmermann

1959:

Confirmed: Eunice Beck, Marian Mayer

Died: Carl Jacob Schwarz, George Carl Beck

1960:

Baptized: Sharon Rose Zimmermann, Michael Lloyd Mayer

1961:

Confirmed: Ruth Beck, Willard Schaudt

Married: Morris Doerner to Leota Caupert

Died: Ida Louise Caupert

1962:

Baptized: Rebecca Ann Kuehner, Patricia Eileen Mayer

Died: Henry C. Caupert, Esther Caupert, Harold G. Schwarz

1963:

Married: Melvin Niemeyer to Norma Schwarz

Died: Jacob Schwarz

1964:

Confirmed: Edgar Dwayne Schwarz, Elaine Irene Schwarz, Barbara Jean Paasch

Married: Rev James Cumming to Margaret Beck

1965:

Died: Emma Schwarz

1966:

Married: Clifford Colbert to Eunice Beck

Died: Rosine Paasch

1967:

Baptized: Allen Dale Niemeyer

Died: Fred Caupert

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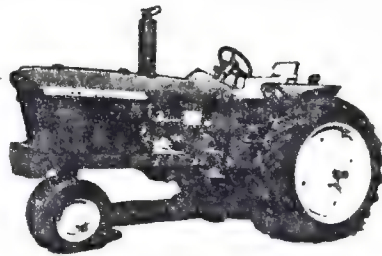
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